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WASH. (AP) — THE DAY AFTER THE SENATE CONFIRMED RICHARD HELMS AS THE NEW HEAD OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, SOME SENATORS WERE CALLING FOR HIS SCALP. WHY THE SUDDEN CHANGE? BECAUSE HELMS' NAME IN THE ST. LOUIS GLOBE DEMOCRAT SAYING NOW PLEASED IT. EVEN ITS JULY 18 EDITORIAL ENTITLED "RETRIBUTION FOR FULBRIGHT." THE EDITORIAL SAID THE SENATE HAD GIVEN SEN. W. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT, D-MO., "HIS COMEDIANRY" FOR TRYING TO INCREASE CONGRESSIONAL CONTROL OVER CIA ACTIVITIES. WHEN THE NEWSPAPER PRINTED HELMS' LETTER, SENATORS ROSE TO DENOUNCE HELMS. HELMS APOLOGIZED TO FULBRIGHT, BUT SEN. WAYNE MURSE (D-ORE.) IMMEDIATELY CALLED FOR HELMS' RESIGNATION. THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, OF WHICH FULBRIGHT IS CHAIRMAN AND MURSE A MEMBER, MET IN CLOSED SESSION FRIDAY TO HEAR WHAT HELMS HAD TO SAY. AFTERWARD, IT APPEARED THAT TEMPER HAD COOLED AND HELMS WOULD KEEP HIS JOB.